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The LOST WORLD
By THORNECLIFFE HERRICK
THEY WERE PENNED INTO A TRAP! OUTSIDE WAITED THE MONSTROUS VOLTA MEN.. SEEKING ESCAPE, THEY FLED BLINDLY INTO ROTTING CAVERNS THAT WERE ONCE NEW YORK'S PROUD SUBWAY- BUT INSIDE LAY TERROR FAR WORSE THAN THE VOLTANS!
WHILE ON THE HUNT FOR A STAG.
VOLTA PATROL! QUICK, INTO HIDING.
HURRY, BONNIE! CENTRAL PARK IS A LOT SAFER THAN THE VOLTANS.
AS ROCKO-CHUTING FROM ABOVE
ARGH! EARTHLINGS BELOW FINE CATCH WILL BE!
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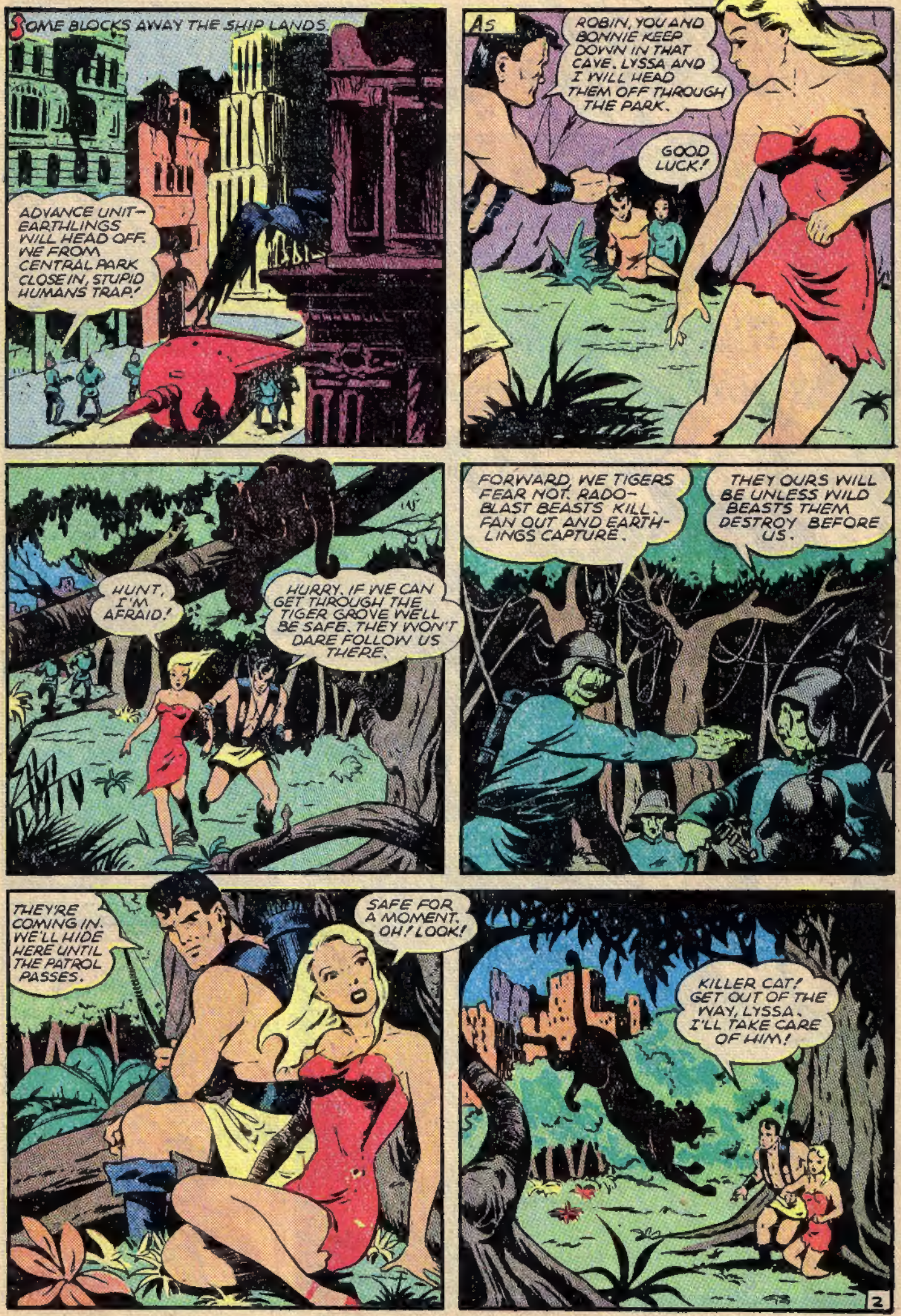
SOME BLOCKS AWAY THE SHIP LANDS.
ADVANCE UNIT—EARTHLINGS WILL HEAD OFF. WE FROM CENTRAL PARK CLOSE IN, STUPID HUMANS TRAP!
AS
ROBIN, YOU AND BONNIE KEEP DOWN IN THAT CAVE. LYSSA AND I WILL HEAD THEM OFF THROUGH THE PARK.
GOOD LUCK!
HUNT, I'M AFRAID!
HURRY. IF WE CAN GET THROUGH THE TIGER GROVE WE'LL BE SAFE. THEY WON'T DARE FOLLOW US THERE.
FORWARD, WE TIGERS FEAR NOT. RADO—BLAST BEASTS KILL. FAN OUT AND EARTHLINGS CAPTURE.
THEY OURS WILL BE UNLESS WILD BEASTS THEM DESTROY BEFORE US.
THEY'RE COMING IN. WE'LL HIDE HERE UNTIL THE PATROL PASSES.
SAFE FOR A MOMENT. OH! LOOK!
KILLER CAT! GET OUT OF THE WAY, LYSSA. I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM!
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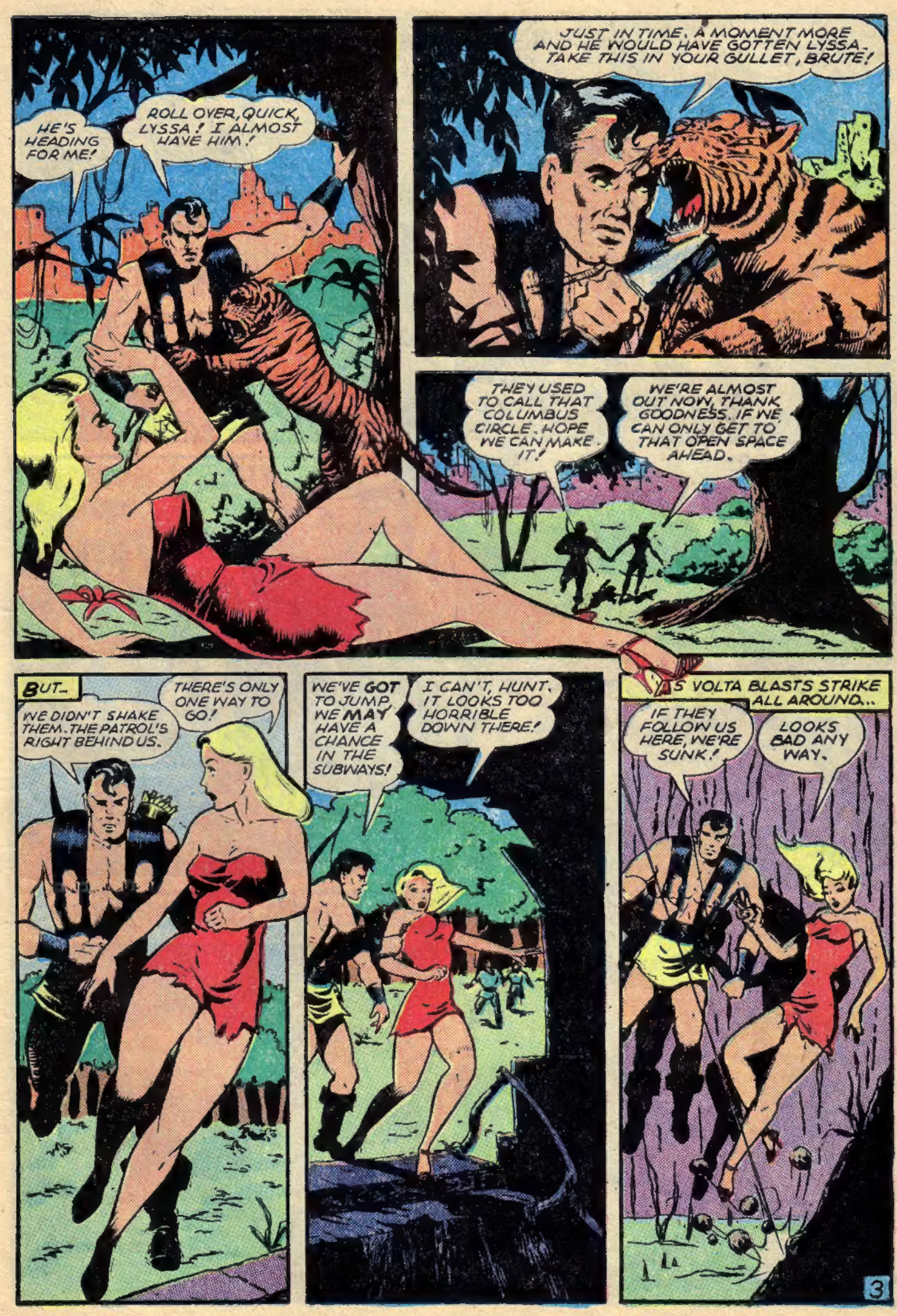
HE'S HEADING FOR ME!
ROLL OVER, QUICK, LYSSA! I ALMOST HAVE HIM!
JUST IN TIME. A MOMENT MORE AND HE WOULD HAVE GOTTEN LYSSA. TAKE THIS IN YOUR GULLET, BRUTE!
THEY USED TO CALL THAT COLUMBUS CIRCLE. HOPE WE CAN MAKE IT!
WE'RE ALMOST OUT NOW, THANK GOODNESS. IF WE CAN ONLY GET TO THAT OPEN SPACE AHEAD.
BUT..
WE DIDN'T SHAKE THEM. THE PATROL'S RIGHT BEHIND US.
THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO GO!
WE'VE GOT TO JUMP. WE MAY HAVE A CHANCE IN THE SUBWAYS!
I CAN'T, HUNT. IT LOOKS TOO HORRIBLE DOWN THERE!
S VOLTA BLASTS STRIKE ALL AROUND...
IF THEY FOLLOW US HERE, WE'RE SUNK!
LOOKS BAD ANY WAY.
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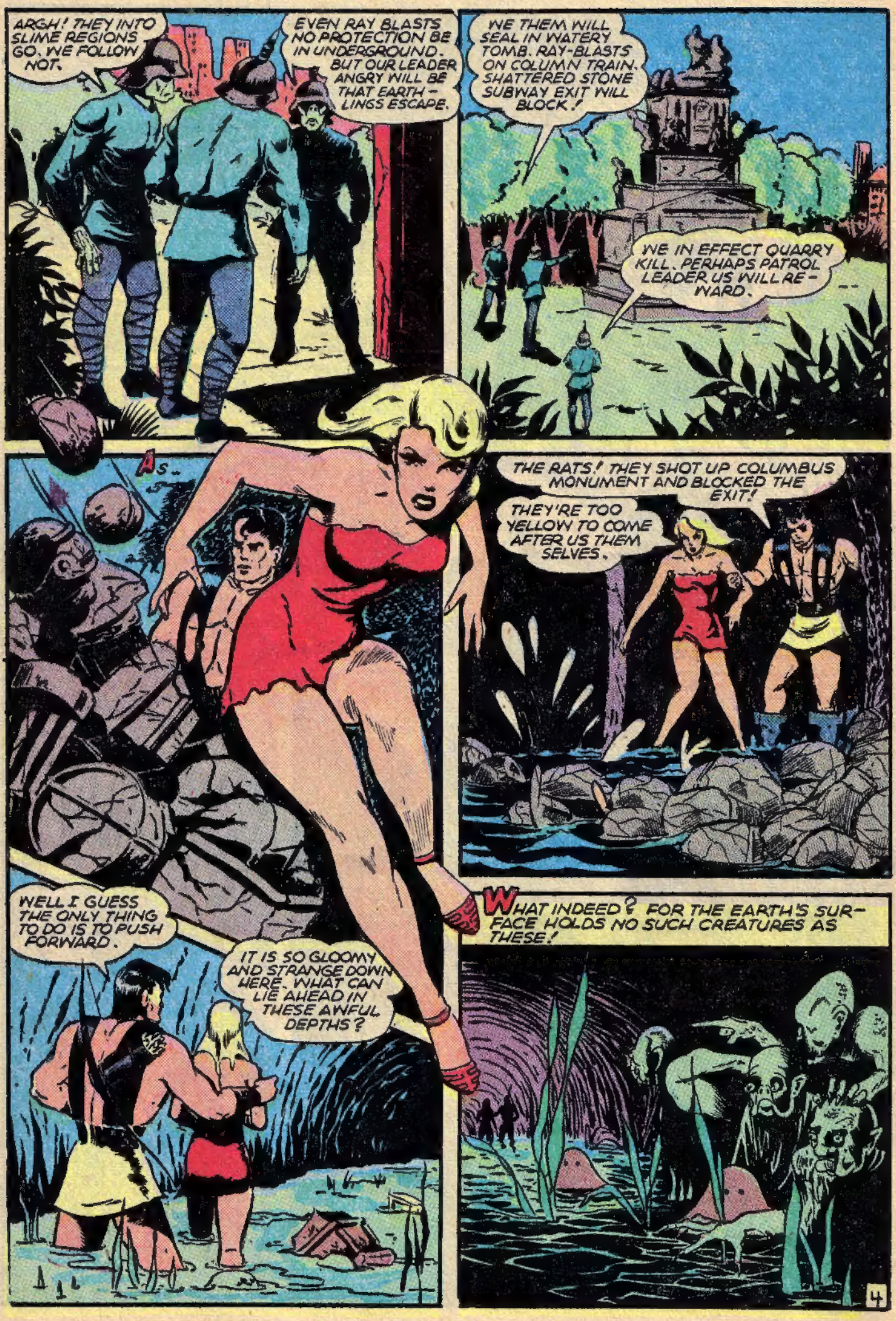
ARGH! THEY INTO SLIME REGIONS GO. WE FOLLOW NOT.
EVEN RAY BLASTS NO PROTECTION BE IN UNDERGROUND. BUT OUR LEADER ANGRY WILL BE THAT EARTH-LINGS ESCAPE.
WE THEM WILL SEAL IN WATERY TOMB. RAY-BLASTS ON COLUMN TRAIN. SHATTERED STONE SUBWAY EXIT WILL BLOCK!
WE IN EFFECT QUARRY KILL. PERHAPS PATROL LEADER US WILL REWARD.
As..
THE RATS! THEY SHOT UP COLUMBUS MONUMENT AND BLOCKED THE EXIT!
THEY'RE TOO YELLOW TO COME AFTER US THEMSELVES.
WELL I GUESS THE ONLY THING TO DO IS TO PUSH FORWARD.
IT IS SO GLOOMY AND STRANGE DOWN HERE. WHAT CAN LIE AHEAD IN THESE AWFUL DEPTHS?
WHAT INDEED? FOR THE EARTH'S SURFACE HOLDS NO SUCH CREATURES AS THESE!
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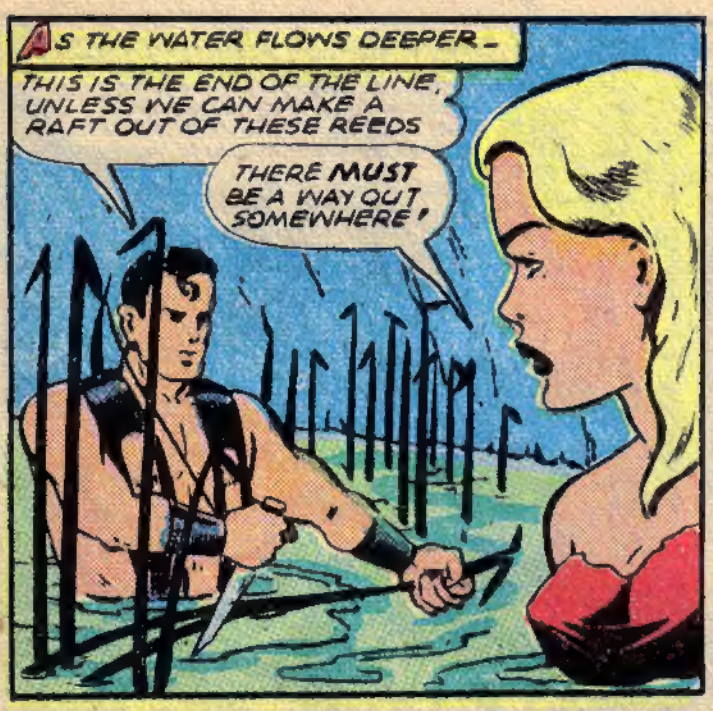
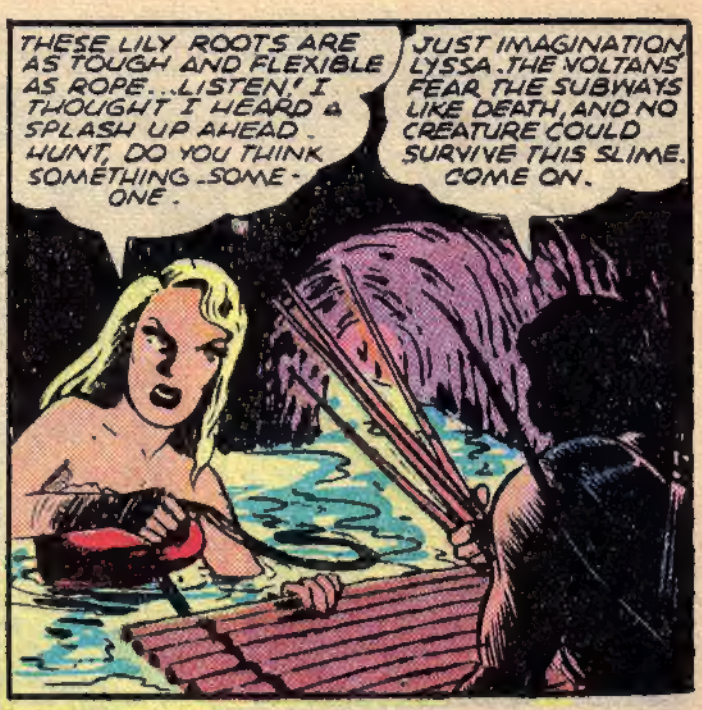
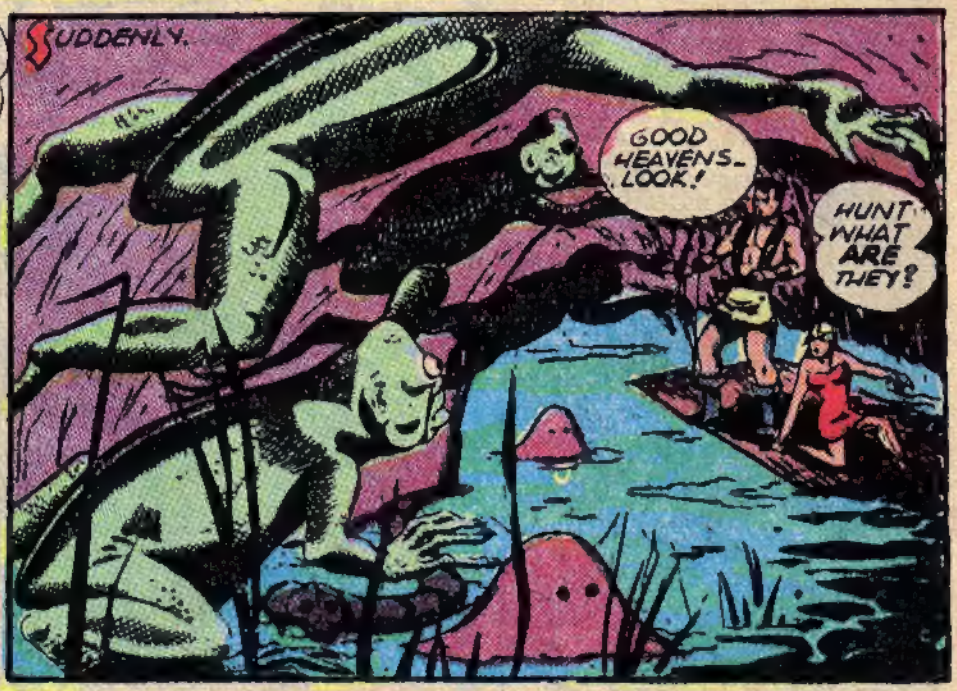

AS THE WATER FLOWS DEEPER—
THIS IS THE END OF THE LINE, UNLESS WE CAN MAKE A RAFT OUT OF THESE REEDS
THERE MUST BE A WAY OUT SOMEWHERE!

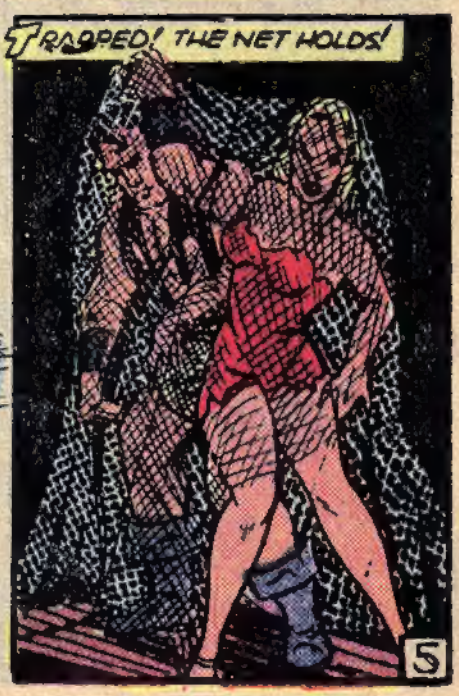

THESE LILY ROOTS ARE AS TOUGH AND FLEXIBLE AS ROPE...LISTEN! I THOUGHT I HEARD A SPLASH UP AHEAD. HUNT, DO YOU THINK SOMETHING—SOMEONE.
JUST IMAGINATION LYSSA. THE VOLTANS FEAR THE SUBWAYS LIKE DEATH, AND NO CREATURE COULD SURVIVE THIS SLIME. COME ON.

I CAN'T HELP IT, HUNT. I HAVE A HORRIBLE FEELING WE'RE BEING WATCHED!
THE DARKNESS IS GETTING ON YOUR NERVES. WAIT! A SPLASH! WHAT THE—?


SUDDENLY.
GOOD HEAVENS—LOOK!
HUNT, WHAT ARE THEY?

I DON'T KNOW BUT WE'VE GOT TO STOP THEM!
OH! WHAT REPULSIVE CREATURES. LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

BUT—


TRAPPED! THE NET HOLDS!
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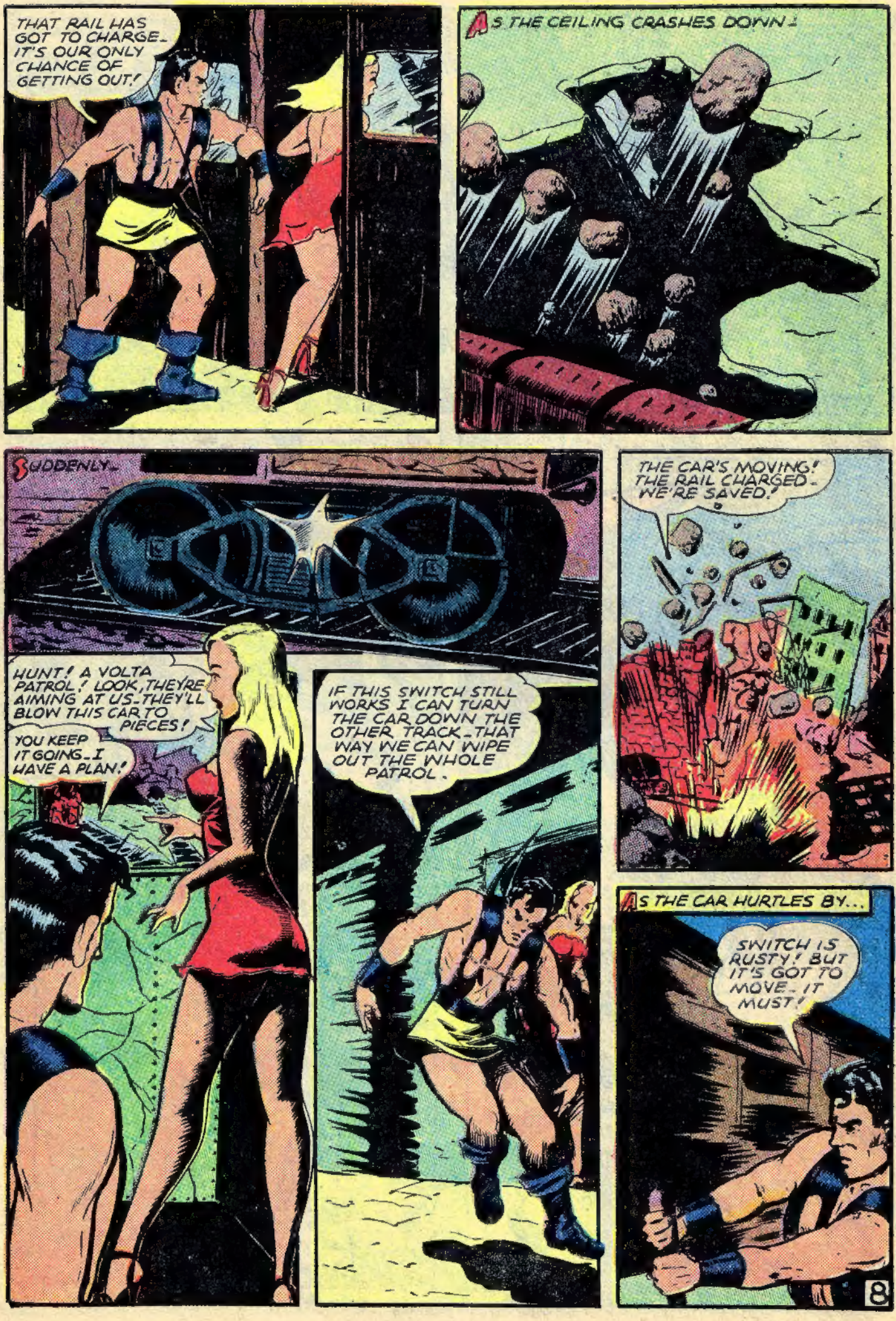
INSTANTLY—
PULL ASHORE, QUICK! ONE TWO!
WE'RE CAUGHT, LYSSA. MY KNIFE WON'T CUT THESE MESHES!
AT TADMEN HEADQUARTERS—
42 ST STATION
HAIL, O CHIEF! WE BRING TWO EARTHLINGS OF LATER DAY SPECIES. SHALL WE EXECUTE THEM? THEY HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE THAT WE CAN USE. WITNESS THE MAN'S WEAPON!
TRUE THEY BE NOT SKILLED AS OUR CAPTIVE SCIENTIST, THEREFORE KILL THEM.
WAIT, SIRE. THEY MAY HAVE THEIR USES. THE VOLTANS WOULD PAY WELL FOR THESE PRISONERS.
THE CHIEF AGREES AND WHILE HE ORDERS A MESSENGER TO THE OUTER WORLD—
THIS WILL GIVE US TIME. I'VE GOT THE NET AND WHEN I SIGNAL— RUN FOR IT!
ANOTHER WORD, O CHIEF. BEFORE THE VOLTAN EMISSARIES ARRIVE, THE TADMEN SHOULD HAVE A RENEWAL OF THE VIBRO CURRENT IN CASE OF VOLTA TREACHERY.
THEN—
AGREED! YOUR COUNCIL IS GOOD, EARTHMEN. GIVE US A NEW CHARGE OF STRENGTH!
LONG HAVE I WAITED FOR THIS DAY OF VENGEANCE. I SHALL DIE WITH MY FOUL CAPTORS BUT THAT BOY AND GIRL WILL ESCAPE— AND LIVE!

LATER...
HO, VOLTAN! WE OF THE UNDERGROUND HAVE CAPTURED TWO EARTHLINGS. FOR A PRICE THEY WILL BE YOURS.
SPEAK, WATER CREATURE, WHERE CAN WE UNDER-GROUND ENTRANCE FIND?
ONE ENTRANCE STANDS INTACT BY THE STREET ONCE CALLED 96. BUT FIRST YOU MUST GIVE REWARD FOR MY CHIEF-
SO BE IT. THIS VOLTAN REWARD BE
HELP! OHH-
AS THE PATROL STREAKS FOR 96 ST.
AS THE EARTH QUAKES.
GET INTO THAT CAR YOU TWO. THERE'S A CHANCE THE CURRENT WILL CHARGE THE RAIL. GO! I WILL DIE HERE. MY DAYS ARE ENDED BUT YOU MUST LIVE.
WE'LL NEVER FORGET WHAT YOU'VE DONE FOR US, PROFESSOR
MEANWHILE-
HUNT, LOOK! THESE CREATURES HAVE ALL TURNED TO JELLY!
QUICK, THE SCIENTIST HAS OVER CHARGED THE VIBRO-CURRENT MACHINES! HE'S WIPED OUT THE SWAMP MEN BUT THE WHOLE PLACE IS SHAKING. NOW'S OUR CHANCE!
COME ON! THE PLACE IS COMING DOWN. HOPE THE PROFESSOR'S RIGHT ABOUT THE RAIL CHARGING.
OH! WE'LL BE CRUSHED!


THAT RAIL HAS GOT TO CHARGE- IT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE OF GETTING OUT!
AS THE CEILING CRASHES DOWN-
SUDDENLY-
HUNT! A VOLTA PATROL! LOOK, THEY'RE AIMING AT US-THEY'LL BLOW THIS CAR TO PIECES!
YOU KEEP IT GOING- I HAVE A PLAN!
IF THIS SWITCH STILL WORKS I CAN TURN THE CAR DOWN THE OTHER TRACK- THAT WAY WE CAN WIPE OUT THE WHOLE PATROL.
THE CAR'S MOVING! THE RAIL CHARGED- WE'RE SAVED!
AS THE CAR HURTLES BY...
SWITCH IS RUSTY! BUT IT'S GOT TO MOVE- IT MUST!
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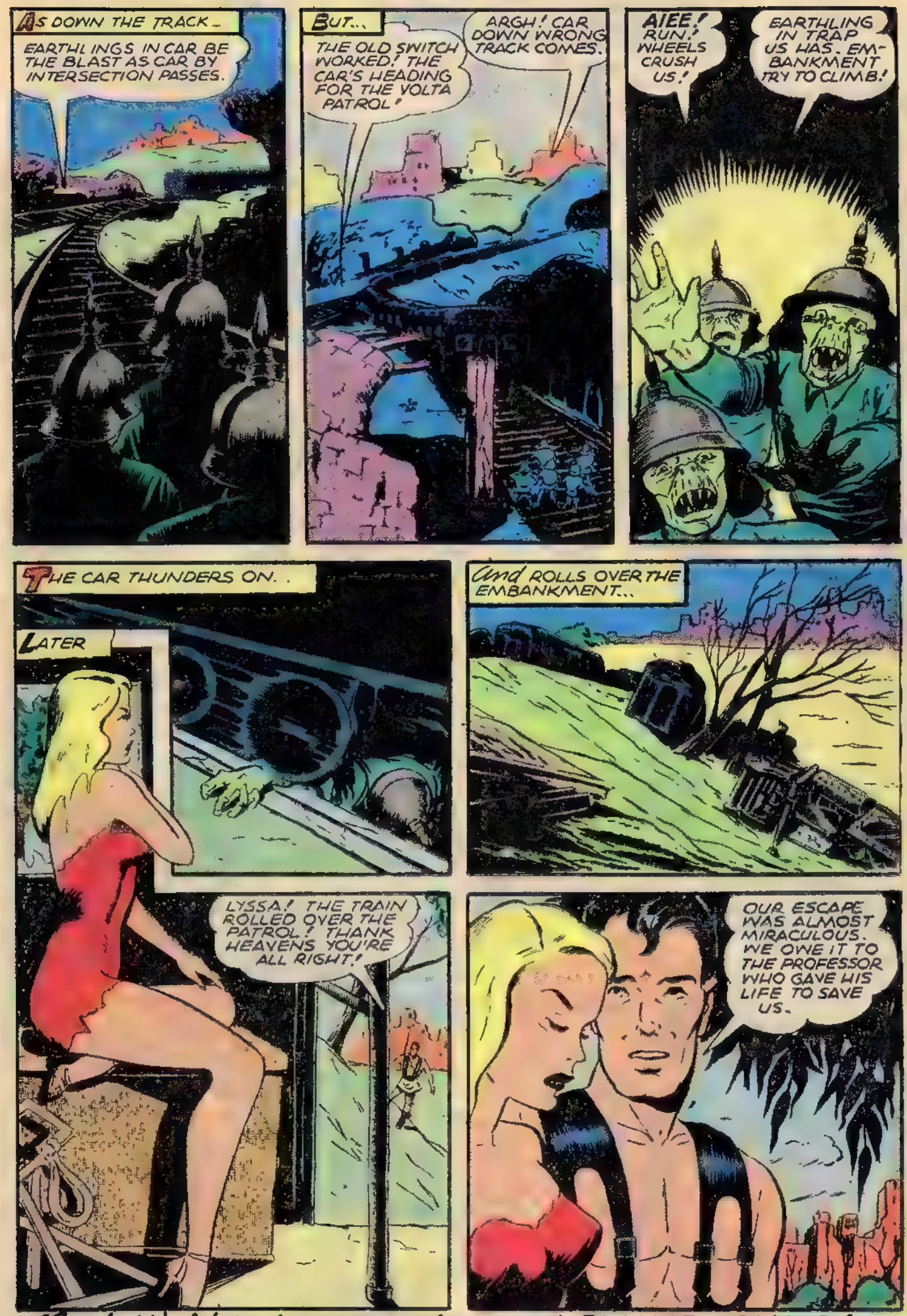
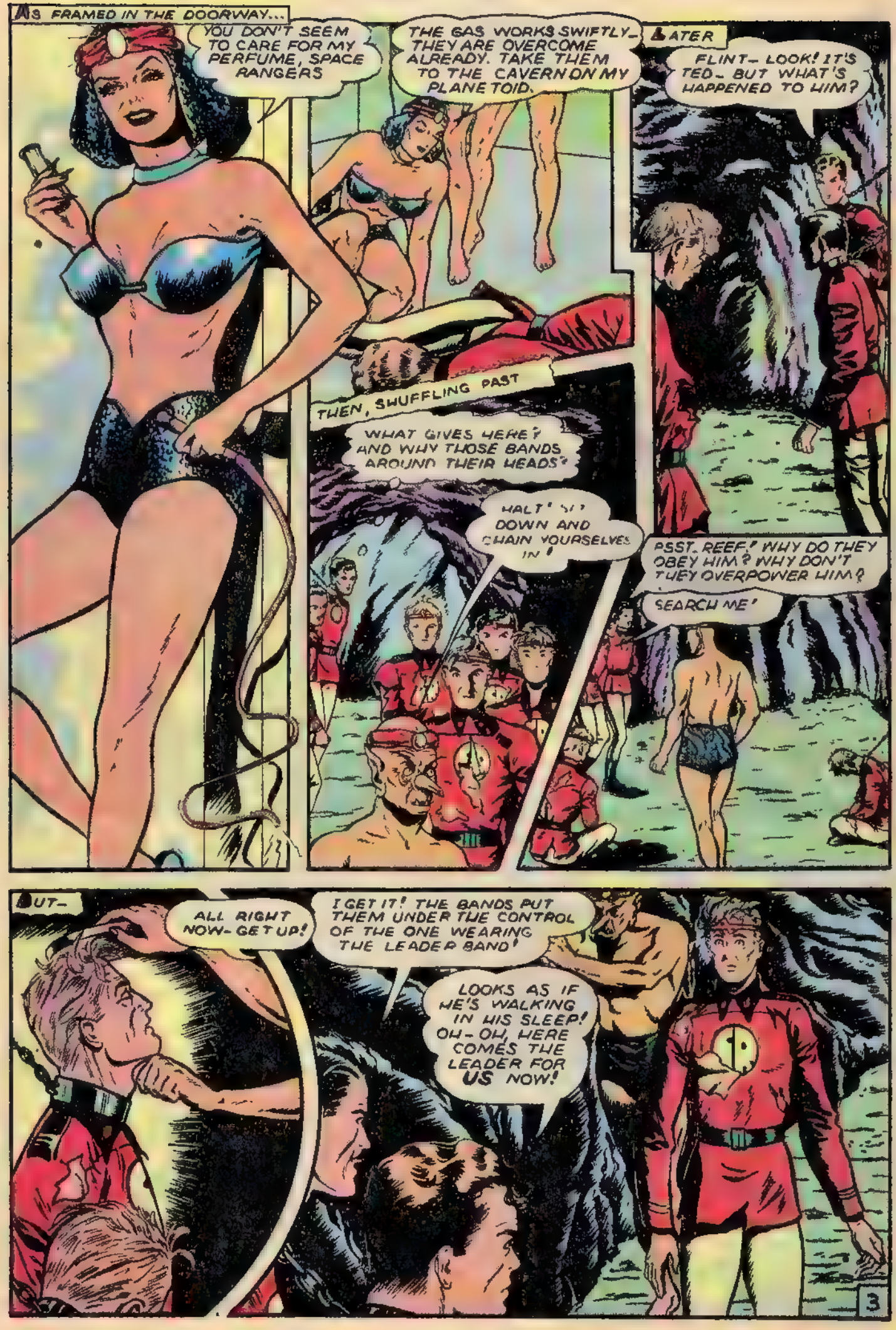

As down the track..
Earthlings in car be the blast as car by intersection passes.
But...
The old switch worked! The car's heading for the Volta patrol!
Argh! Car down wrong track comes.
Aiee! Run! Wheels crush us!
Earthling in trap us has. Embankment try to climb!
The car thunders on..
Later
And rolls over the embankment...
Lyssa! The train rolled over the patrol! Thank heavens you're all right!
Our escape was almost miraculous. We owe it to the professor who gave his life to save us.

FLINT BAKER and REEF RYAN
SPACE RANGERS

SPACE RANGER H Q. ON EARTH...
HO-HUM. THIS DESK DUTY IS WEARING ME OUT. WISH SOMETHING WOULD HAPPEN.
by HUGH FITZHUGH
SUDDENLY.
POP!
REEF! WAKE UP! THE S.O.S INDICATOR IS JUMPIN' LIKE A SCARED CHICKEN!
AS SEEN THROUGH THE TELIVONATOR...
THE BLUE PERFUME ...IT
WHY, IT'S_IT'S TED_CALLING FROM THE VENUS STATION! AND_SOMETHING'S WRONG!
FLINT, HE'S DEAD! WE'VE GOT TO TAKE THIS CASE! TED!_OUR PAL...
RIGHT! BUT WHAT'D HE MEAN BY BLUE PERFUME? SOME NEW KIND OF GAS?

SOON...
BABY_ BRING LUCK TO PAPA_MAYBE I'LL NEED YOU ON THIS TRIP!
DON'T TELL ME YOU BROUGHT THAT LOONEY ANTI-MAGNETIC INVENTION OF YOURS ALONG. GET HEP, BOY_ YOU'RE NO TOM EDISON!
QUIET, SMALL FRY, N' GET READY TO TAKE 'ER DOWN. THE STATION LOOKS DESERTED.
OK_HERE WE GO!
SECONDS LATER...
MIGHT BE A TRAP, REEF_GO EASY.
WH_THE BODY'S GONE!
SO'S THAT BLUE MIST_THE ROOM IS CLEAR!
MAYBE TED LEFT A MESSAGE OR A CLUE SOMEWHERE...
YEAH_ I'LL TAKE A LOOK IN HERE.
BUT SOON...
F...FLINT...THAT BLUE STUFF'S ALL OVER THE PLACE...I CAN'T BREATHE...
REEF_ THE DOOR! LOOK!


AS FRAMED IN THE DOORWAY...
YOU DON'T SEEM TO CARE FOR MY PERFUME, SPACE RANGERS
THE GAS WORKS SWIFTLY— THEY ARE OVERCOME ALREADY. TAKE THEM TO THE CAVERN ON MY PLANETOID.
LATER
FLINT— LOOK! IT'S TED— BUT WHAT'S HAPPENED TO HIM?
THEN, SHUFFLING PAST
WHAT GIVES HERE? AND WHY THOSE BANDS AROUND THEIR HEADS?
HALT! SIT DOWN AND CHAIN YOURSELVES IN!
PSST— REEF! WHY DO THEY OBEY HIM? WHY DON'T THEY OVERPOWER HIM?
SEARCH ME!
BUT—
ALL RIGHT NOW— GET UP!
I GET IT! THE BANDS PUT THEM UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE ONE WEARING THE LEADER BAND!
LOOKS AS IF HE'S WALKING IN HIS SLEEP! OH— OH, HERE COMES THE LEADER FOR US NOW!
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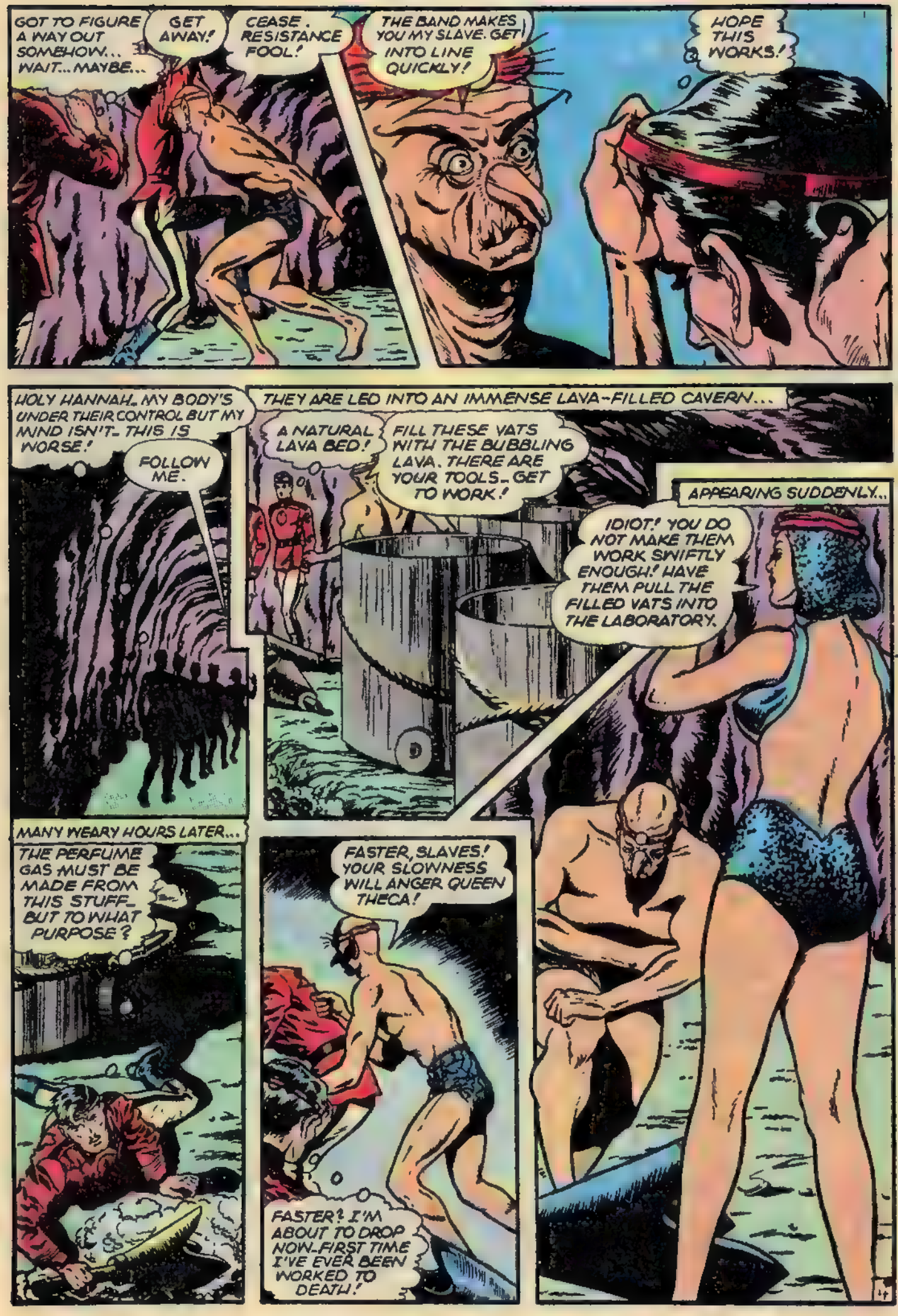
GOT TO FIGURE A WAY OUT SOMEHOW... WAIT... MAYBE...
GET AWAY!
CEASE. RESISTANCE FOOL!
THE BAND MAKES YOU MY SLAVE. GET INTO LINE QUICKLY!
HOPE THIS WORKS!
HOLY HANNAH. MY BODY'S UNDER THEIR CONTROL BUT MY MIND ISN'T- THIS IS WORSE!
FOLLOW ME.
THEY ARE LED INTO AN IMMENSE LAVA-FILLED CAVERN...
A NATURAL LAVA BED!
FILL THESE VATS WITH THE BUBBLING LAVA. THERE ARE YOUR TOOLS. GET TO WORK!
APPEARING SUDDENLY...
IDIOT! YOU DO NOT MAKE THEM WORK SWIFTLY ENOUGH! HAVE THEM PULL THE FILLED VATS INTO THE LABORATORY.
MANY WEARY HOURS LATER...
THE PERFUME GAS MUST BE MADE FROM THIS STUFF- BUT TO WHAT PURPOSE?
FASTER, SLAVES! YOUR SLOWNESS WILL ANGER QUEEN THECA!
FASTER? I'M ABOUT TO DROP NOW-FIRST TIME I'VE EVER BEEN WORKED TO DEATH!

SLOW-WORKING SWINE! FEEL THE PAIN OF MY WHIP!
WHY SHE'S INHUMAN!
OHHH!
I CANNOT BROOK YOUR DELAYS.. ENOUGH OF THIS GAS YOU ARE MAKING — AND I HOLD THE UNIVERSE IN MY HAND!
MAKE HASTE — EMPTY THE VATS INTO THE CAULDRON.
THAT DID IT — THE BAND'S LOOSE!
WHIRLING...
GET UP! YOU DELAY MY PLAN!
INSTANTLY...
HE IS FREE — STOP HIM!
NOT THIS TIME SISTER!
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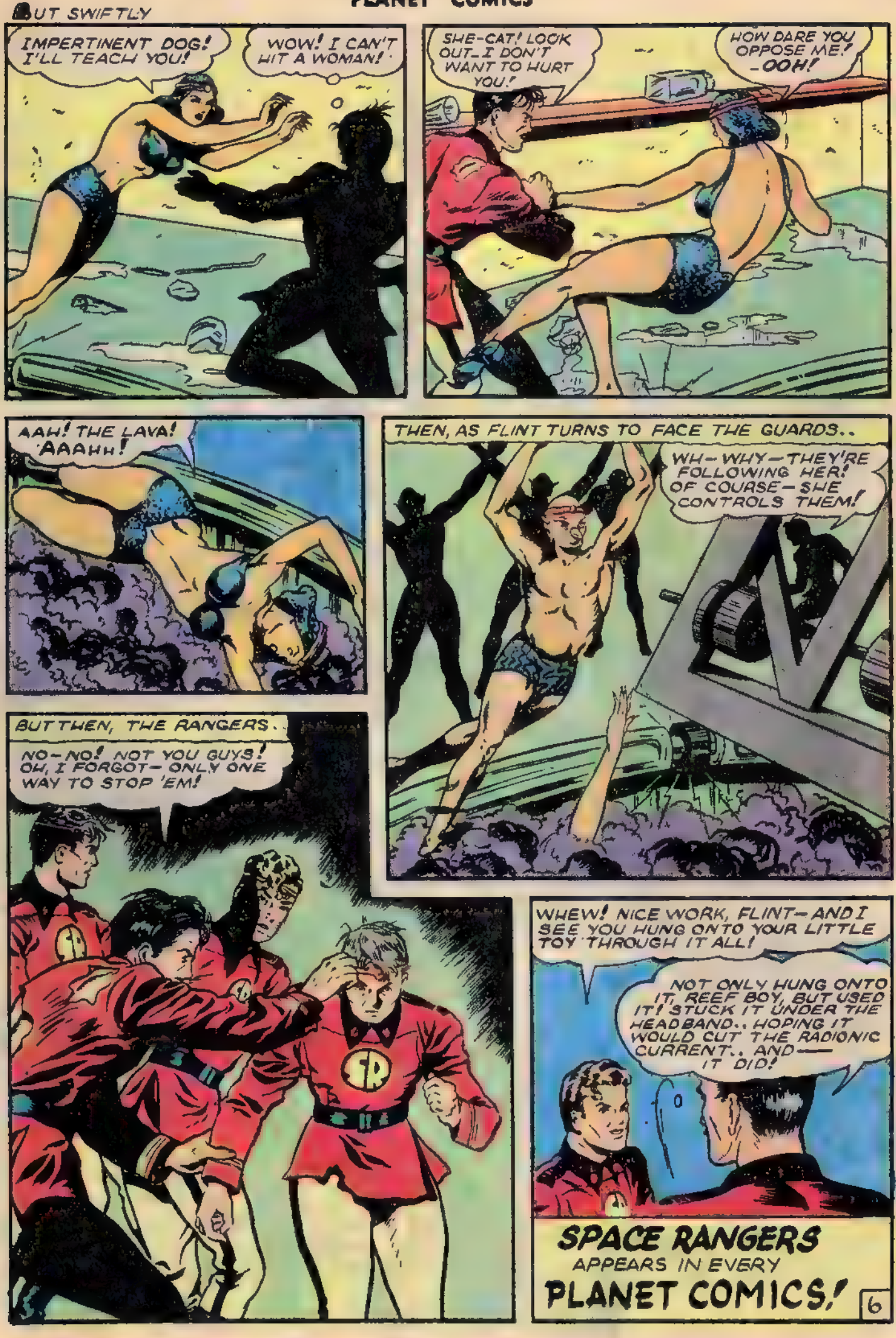
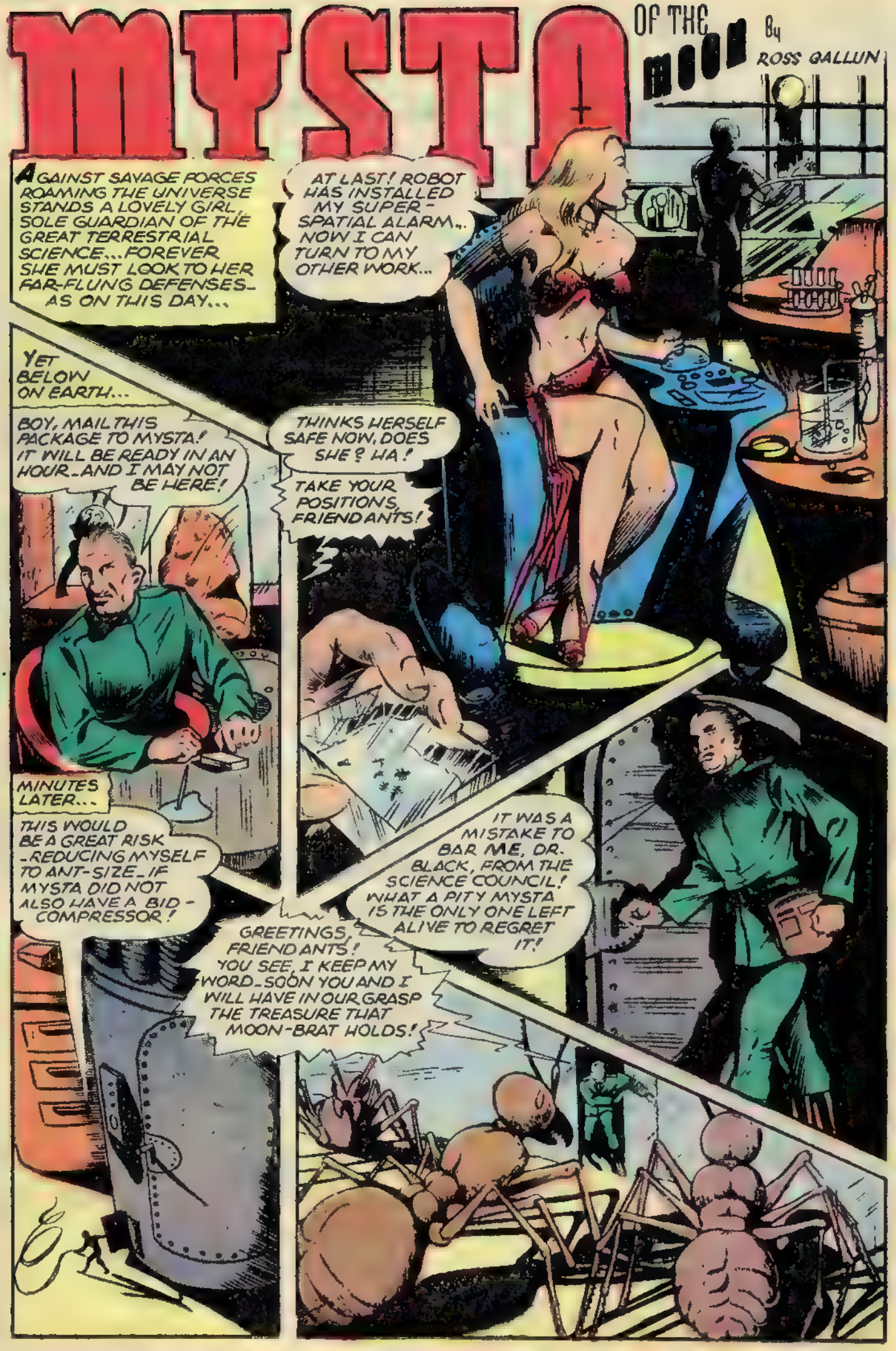
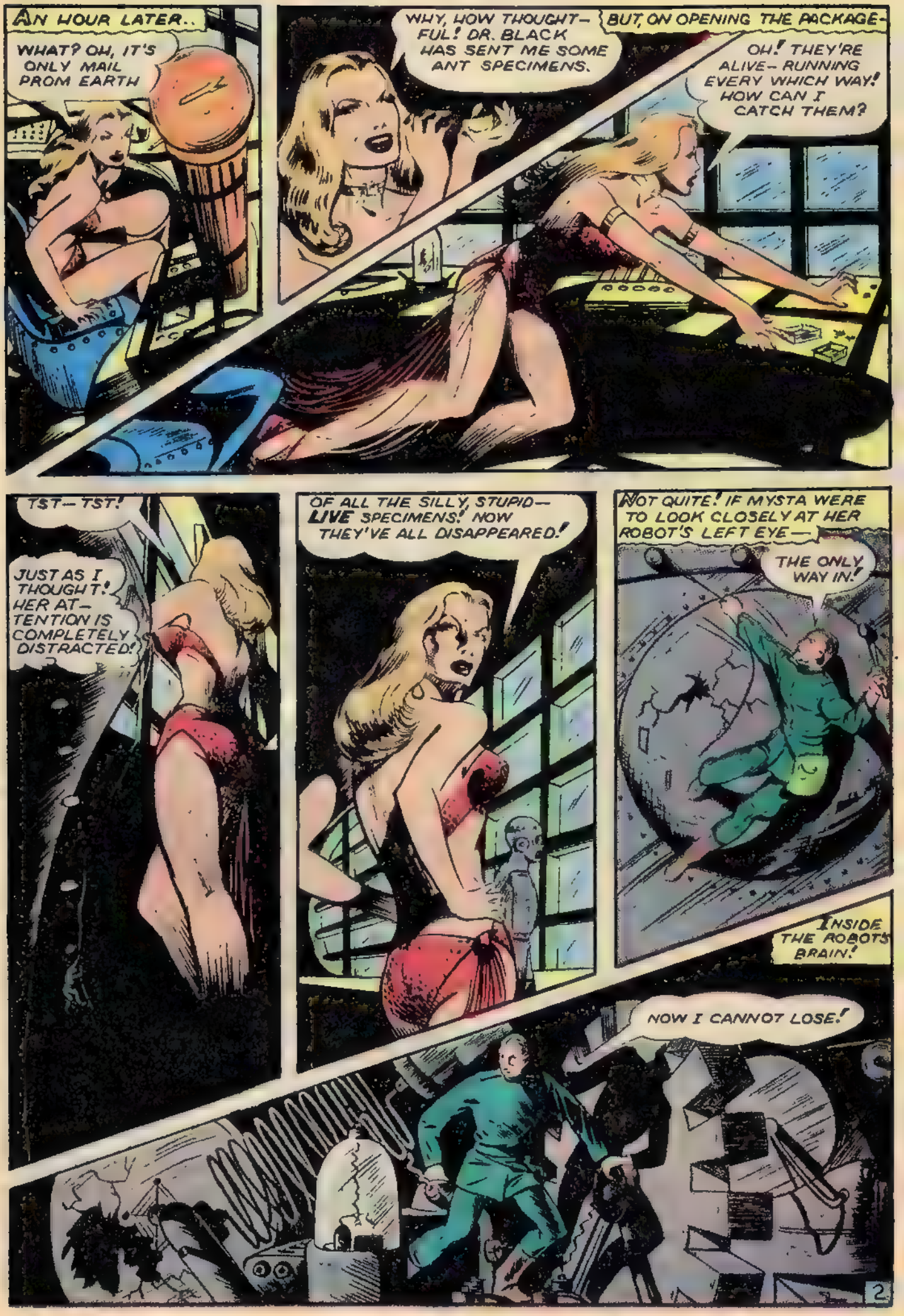

BUT SWIFTLY
IMPERTINENT DOG! I'LL TEACH YOU!
WOW! I CAN'T HIT A WOMAN!
SHE-CAT! LOOK OUT_I DON'T WANT TO HURT YOU!
HOW DARE YOU OPPOSE ME! -OOH!
AAH! THE LAVA! AAAHH!
THEN, AS FLINT TURNS TO FACE THE GUARDS..
WH-WHY-THEY'RE FOLLOWING HER! OF COURSE-SHE CONTROLS THEM!
BUT THEN, THE RANGERS..
NO-NO! NOT YOU GUYS! OH, I FORGOT-ONLY ONE WAY TO STOP 'EM!
WHEW! NICE WORK, FLINT-AND I SEE YOU HUNG ONTO YOUR LITTLE TOY THROUGH IT ALL!
NOT ONLY HUNG ONTO IT, REEF BOY, BUT USED IT! STUCK IT UNDER THE HEADBAND.. HOPING IT WOULD CUT THE RADIONIC CURRENT.. AND— IT DID!
SPACE RANGERS
APPEARS IN EVERY
PLANET COMICS!


MYSTA OF THE MOON
By ROSS GALLUN
AGAINST SAVAGE FORCES ROAMING THE UNIVERSE STANDS A LOVELY GIRL, SOLE GUARDIAN OF THE GREAT TERRESTRIAL SCIENCE... FOREVER SHE MUST LOOK TO HER FAR-FLUNG DEFENSES— AS ON THIS DAY...
AT LAST! ROBOT HAS INSTALLED MY SUPER-SPATIAL ALARM... NOW I CAN TURN TO MY OTHER WORK...
YET BELOW ON EARTH...
BOY, MAIL THIS PACKAGE TO MYSTA! IT WILL BE READY IN AN HOUR—AND I MAY NOT BE HERE!
THINKS HERSELF SAFE NOW, DOES SHE? HA!
TAKE YOUR POSITIONS, FRIEND ANTS!
MINUTES LATER...
THIS WOULD BE A GREAT RISK —REDUCING MYSELF TO ANT-SIZE— IF MYSTA DID NOT ALSO HAVE A BID-COMPRESSOR!
IT WAS A MISTAKE TO BAR ME, DR. BLACK, FROM THE SCIENCE COUNCIL! WHAT A PITY MYSTA IS THE ONLY ONE LEFT ALIVE TO REGRET IT!
GREETINGS, FRIEND ANTS! YOU SEE, I KEEP MY WORD—SOON YOU AND I WILL HAVE IN OUR GRASP THE TREASURE THAT MOON-BRAT HOLDS!


AN HOUR LATER..
WHAT? OH, IT'S ONLY MAIL FROM EARTH
WHY, HOW THOUGHTFUL! DR. BLACK HAS SENT ME SOME ANT SPECIMENS.
BUT, ON OPENING THE PACKAGE-
OH! THEY'RE ALIVE- RUNNING EVERY WHICH WAY! HOW CAN I CATCH THEM?
TST- TST!
JUST AS I THOUGHT! HER ATTENTION IS COMPLETELY DISTRACTED!
OF ALL THE SILLY, STUPID- LIVE SPECIMENS! NOW THEY'VE ALL DISAPPEARED!
NOT QUITE! IF MYSTA WERE TO LOOK CLOSELY AT HER ROBOT'S LEFT EYE-
THE ONLY WAY IN!
INSIDE THE ROBOT'S BRAIN!
NOW I CANNOT LOSE!
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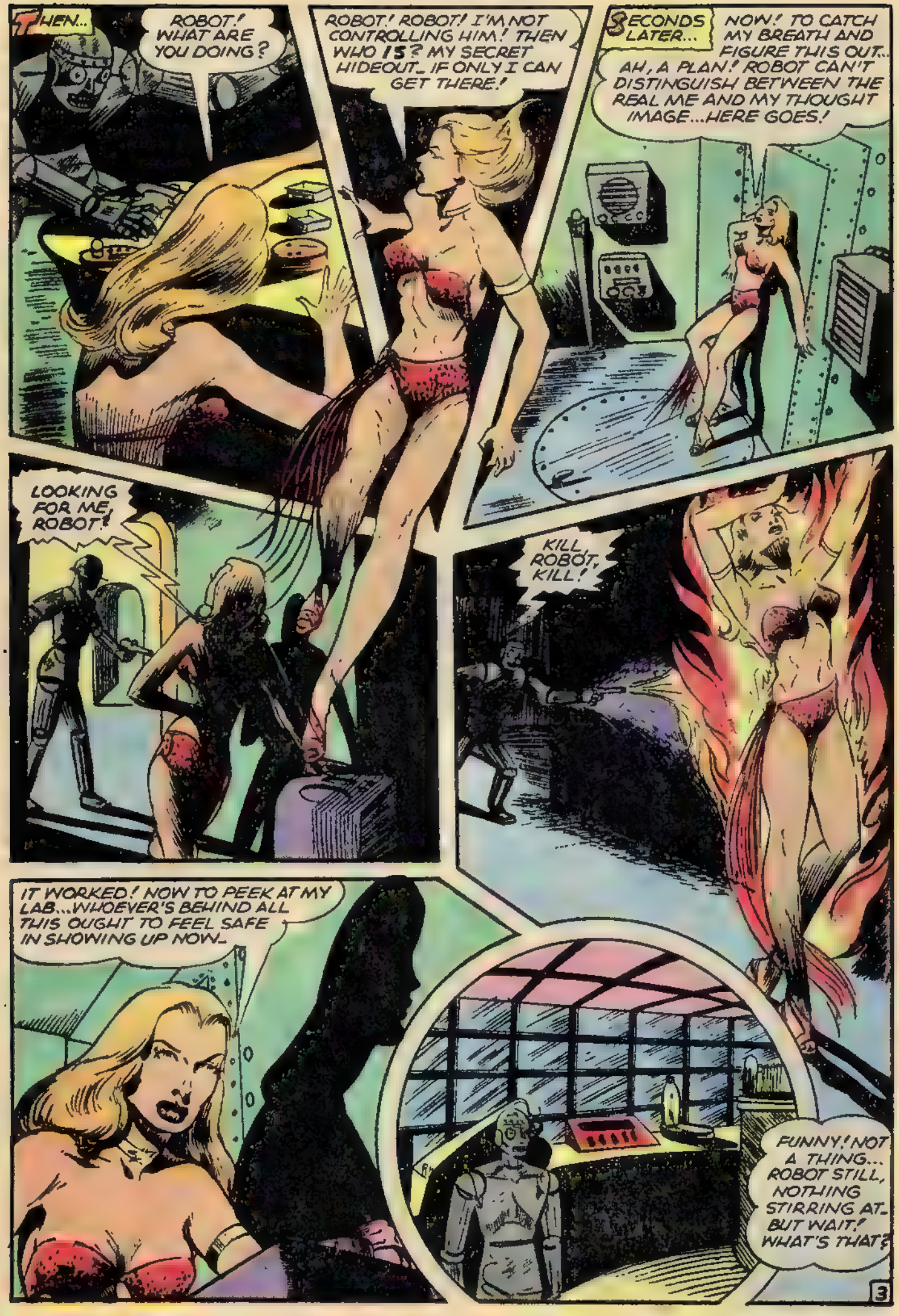
THEN...
ROBOT! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
ROBOT! ROBOT! I'M NOT CONTROLLING HIM! THEN WHO IS? MY SECRET HIDEOUT.. IF ONLY I CAN GET THERE!
SECONDS LATER...
NOW! TO CATCH MY BREATH AND FIGURE THIS OUT..
AH, A PLAN! ROBOT CAN'T DISTINGUISH BETWEEN THE REAL ME AND MY THOUGHT IMAGE...HERE GOES!
LOOKING FOR ME, ROBOT!
KILL, ROBOT, KILL!
IT WORKED! NOW TO PEEK AT MY LAB...WHOEVER'S BEHIND ALL THIS OUGHT TO FEEL SAFE IN SHOWING UP NOW..
FUNNY! NOT A THING... ROBOT STILL, NOTHING STIRRING AT.. BUT WAIT! WHAT'S THAT?
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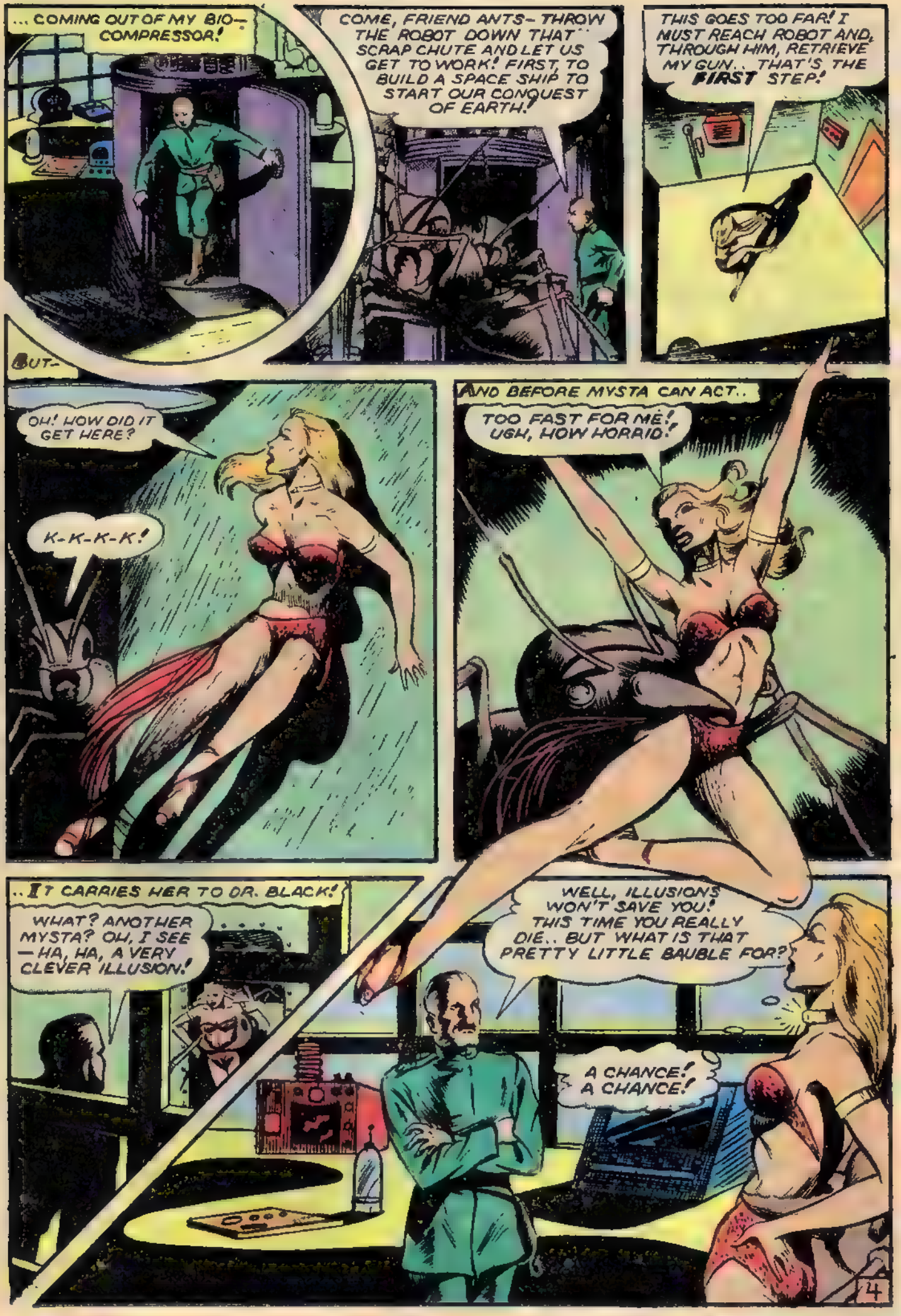
... COMING OUT OF MY BIO-COMPRESSOR!
COME, FRIEND ANTS- THROW THE ROBOT DOWN THAT SCRAP CHUTE AND LET US GET TO WORK! FIRST, TO BUILD A SPACE SHIP TO START OUR CONQUEST OF EARTH!
THIS GOES TOO FAR! I MUST REACH ROBOT AND, THROUGH HIM, RETRIEVE MY GUN.. THAT'S THE FIRST STEP!
BUT-
OH! HOW DID IT GET HERE?
K-K-K-K!
AND BEFORE MYSTA CAN ACT..
TOO FAST FOR ME! UGH, HOW HORRID!
..IT CARRIES HER TO DR. BLACK!
WHAT? ANOTHER MYSTA? OH, I SEE — HA, HA, A VERY CLEVER ILLUSION!
WELL, ILLUSIONS WON'T SAVE YOU! THIS TIME YOU REALLY DIE.. BUT WHAT IS THAT PRETTY LITTLE BAUBLE FOR?
A CHANCE! A CHANCE!
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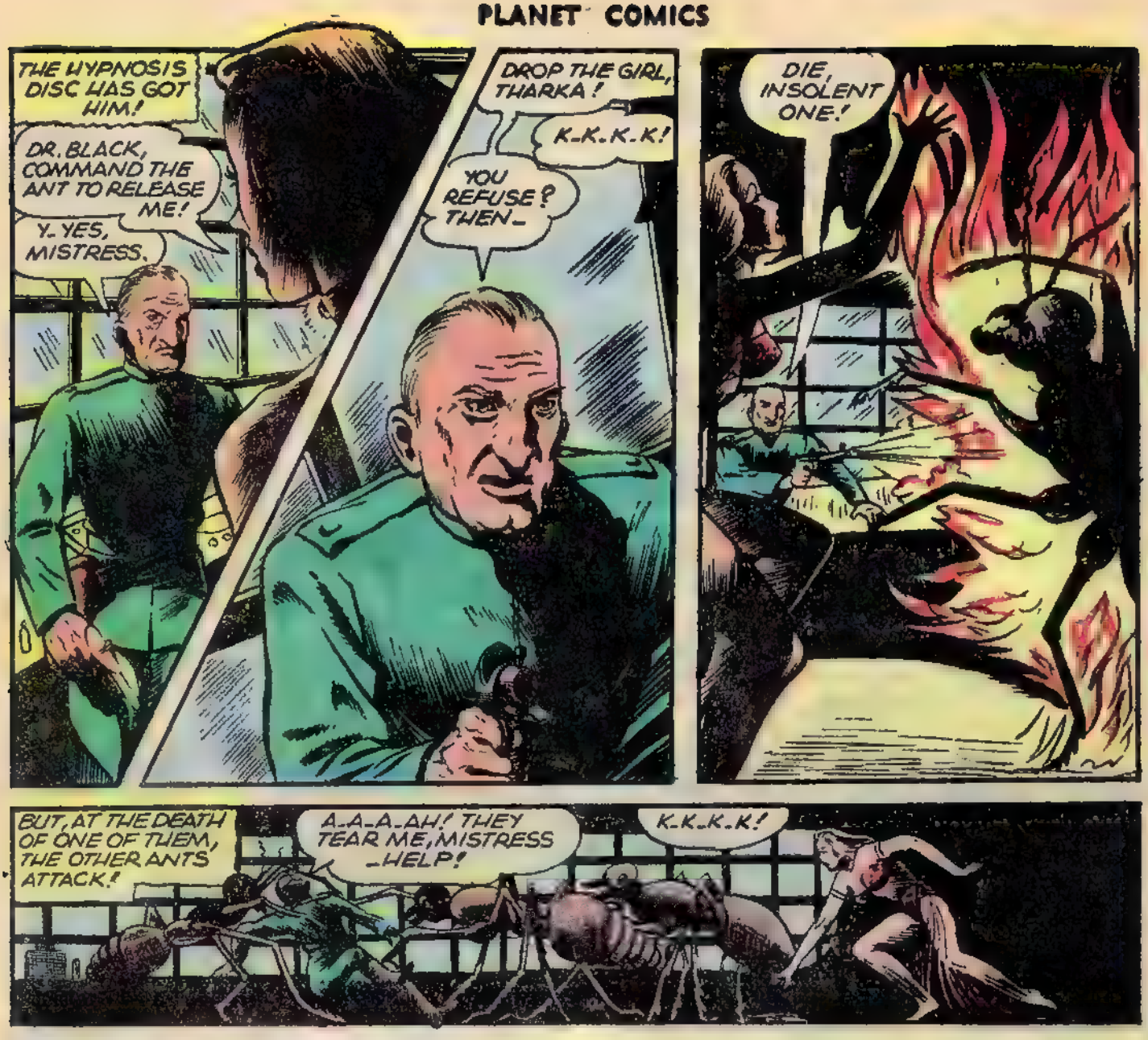
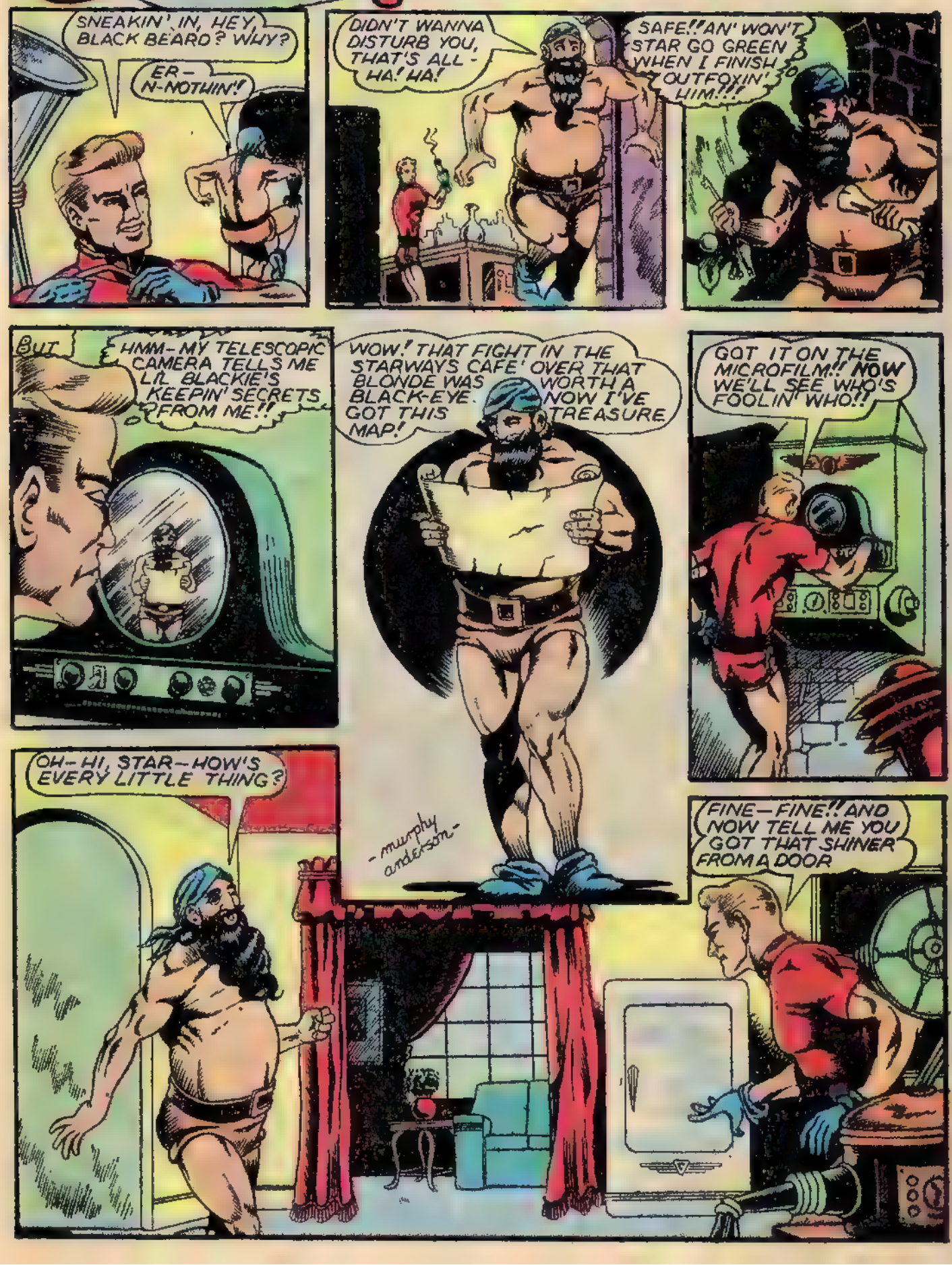

THE HYPNOSIS DISC HAS GOT HIM!
DR. BLACK, COMMAND THE ANT TO RELEASE ME!
Y-YES, MISTRESS.
DROP THE GIRL, THARKA!
K-K-K-K!
YOU REFUSE? THEN-
DIE, INSOLENT ONE!
BUT, AT THE DEATH OF ONE OF THEM, THE OTHER ANTS ATTACK!
A-A-A-AH! THEY TEAR ME, MISTRESS -HELP!
K-K-K-K!
UGH-FINISHED HIM... AND NOW THEY TURN ON ME! I'LL NEED THE DIS-FACTOR!
The DIS-FACTOR MEANS-DISINTREGRATION!
DIE- HORRID ONES!
LATER...
AH, POOR ROBOT! AND POOR MYSTA! WILL THEY NEVER LEAVE US IN PEACE?
MYSTA APPEARS IN EVERY ISSUE OF PLANET COMICS!

STAR PIRATE

By LEN DODSON


SNEAKIN' IN, HEY, BLACK BEARD? WHY?
ER— N-NOTHIN'!
DIDN'T WANNA DISTURB YOU, THAT'S ALL - HA! HA!
SAFE!! AN' WON'T STAR GO GREEN WHEN I FINISH OUTFOXIN' HIM!!!
BUT
HMM— MY TELESCOPIC CAMERA TELLS ME LIL BLACKIE'S KEEPIN' SECRETS FROM ME!!
WOW! THAT FIGHT IN THE STARWAYS CAFE' OVER THAT BLONDE WAS WORTH A BLACK-EYE. NOW I'VE GOT THIS MAP! TREASURE
GOT IT ON THE MICROFILM!! NOW WE'LL SEE WHO'S FOOLIN' WHO!!
OH— HI, STAR— HOW'S EVERY LITTLE THING?
FINE— FINE!! AND NOW TELL ME YOU GOT THAT SHINER FROM A DOOR
-murphy anderson-

SA-AY, WOULDN'T IT BE SPORT HUNTIN' A BURIED TREASURE? IF YOU HAD A MAP, I MEAN? I WAS READIN' A BOOK AND—
IT SOCKED YOU IN THE EYE!! GO ON!!
QUIT RIBBIN'!! NOW JUST S'POSE I DID HAVE A MAP— AN' S'POSE IT'S THE REAL McCOY—
BUT IF YOU HAD A MAP I'D KNOW, WOULDN'T I, OL' PAL??
HAH! HE THINKS I'M NOT ON TO HIM!!
MEANWHILE— IN THE CELLAR OF THE STARWAYS CAFE'
THALA SURE IS SORE!! WELL, THIS MEANS ONE LESS TO SHARE THE TREASURE OF TAOL!!
IF WE FIND IT! WE AIN'T GOT THE MAP NOW, REMEMBER?
SO YOU SLUGGED A CUSTOMER OVER A BLONDE AND HE GOT OUR MAP!
THALA— PLEASE—!!
BEG TILL YOU ROT!! C'MON, BOYS— I REMEMBER MOST OF THE MAP!
YEAH— GOTTA BEAT BLACKBEARD TO IT!!
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GOOD JOB WE DID ON THE CREW OF THIS ROCKET
UH-HUH!! NICE FRIENDLY FOLKS AREN'T WE??
KEL, TAKE THE CONTROLS.. AT THE THIRD ASTEROID OUT OF JUPITER DROP THIRTY DEGREES AND LAND. AFTER THAT WE TRUST TO LUCK —AND MY MEMORY!
THAT NIGHT—
STAR'S KIDDIN' AGAIN!! I'LL SHOW HIM!!
I'M TAKIN' HIS NEW JET TO —ROCKO— SEE HOW HE LIKES THAT!
HO! HO! AM I ENJOYING THIS!! HE'LL BE BACK IN THE MORNING, LOOKING LIKE A LOST PUP!
FOLLOWING THE MAP, BLACKBEARD LANDS ON A LONG—DESERTED STRIP OF OUTER REGION —
THE JOINT'S A WRECK— AND SPOOKY TOO!! UGH— ER—HEY!! VOICES!!!

I'D BETTER HIDE—
YIPE!!
MORNING COMES—BUT BLACK BEARD DOESN'T—
COULD BE THIS MAP IS GOOD?? THEN I'M THE DOPE!!!
TELECASTER
MINUTES LATER AT THE ARCHIVES MUSEUM—
WHAT—YOU'VE A MICROFILM COPY OF THE TAOL TREASURE MAP?? MAN, EVEN A COPY IS PRICE-LESS!!!—HELLO—HELLO!! —UH— LINE'S DEAD—
I'LL TEACH BLACK-BEARD TO PUT ONE OVER ON ME!!—AFTER I GET TO THAT TREASURE FIRST!
MEANWHILE THALA AND HER BLACK-GUARDS ARRIVE—
IT'S HERE! I KNOW IT!
YEAH—BUT WHERE?
OUCH! I PICKED AN OLD MINE TO FALL INTO!! OOO-G-GONNA SNEEZE!! NO—
NO—SNEEZE— A-A-A-A CHOO!!
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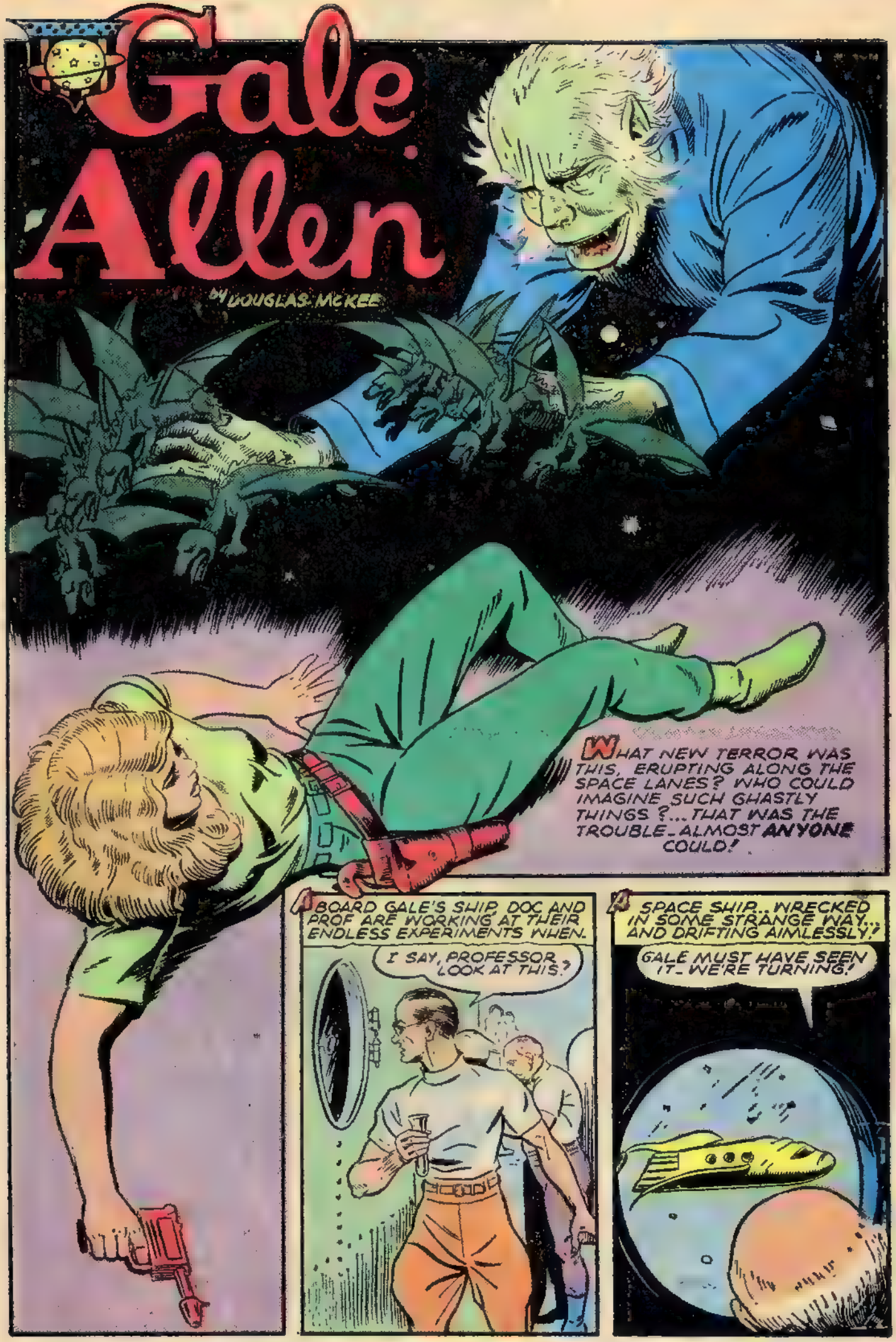
SNOOPER!! HOLD HIM SO'S I CAN SWAT!!
IT'S A PLEASURE!
STOP, YOU IDIOTS! HE'S THE GUY WHO HAS OUR MAP!
AHA! ALL UVA SUDDEN SHE'S A CHARMER.. — SHE WANTS THE MAP AND STAR SAID IT'S A FAKE.. OBOY, WAIT'LL I TELL HIM I SOLD IT FOR A FORTUNE!
BY THIS TIME STAR FINDS THE OLD MINE —
LOOKS LIKE A WAREHOUSE OF TAOL ART... I MUST BE ON THE RIGHT TRACK!
I WONDER WHERE BLACK-BEARD IS??
I WONDER WHERE STAR IS??
OH-OH... VOICES IN THE SHAFT!
THE MAP'S YOURS — FOR TEN THOUSAND DOLEN!!
BLACKBEARD!! HE THINKS THE MAP'S A PHONEY LIKE I SAID!! UH-OH— HERE COMES TROUBLE —
THE MAP'S OURS — FOR NOTHING! SLUG HIM!

SLUG WHO?
OOF!
THE MAP'S REAL! HANG ONTO IT!!
NOW YOU SPOILED IT! MAP'S A FAKE BUT I WAS GETTIN A FAT PRICE—
IT'S REAL!! WE STOLE IT FROM THE MUSEUM
OH- NOW IT'S REAL!! STAR, I'LL BET YOU KNEW ABOUT THAT MAP ALL THE TIME!
OUCH!! STUBBED MY TOE!!
HEY! BANGIN' HIS TOE FOUND THE SECRET LOCK AND OPENED THE VAULT!
LOOK AT 'EM GO FOR IT— BUT NOW I'LL STUB THIS STONE AGAIN AND—
HEY! YOU LOCKED 'EM IN!!—
SURE-AND AFTER THEY KILL EACH OTHER FOR THE TREASURE, IT'S ALL OURS!
I KNOW, IT'S BY ACCIDENT I GOT HERE AT ALL-
HMM AN BY ACCIDENT YOU GET HALF THE LOOT GRIPE-GRIPE!!

STAR PIRATE IN EVERY ISSUE OF PLANET COMICS!!


Gale Allen
BY DOUGLAS McKEE
WHAT NEW TERROR WAS THIS, ERUPTING ALONG THE SPACE LANES? WHO COULD IMAGINE SUCH GHASTLY THINGS?... THAT WAS THE TROUBLE - ALMOST ANYONE COULD!
BOARD GALE'S SHIP, DOC AND PROF ARE WORKING AT THEIR ENDLESS EXPERIMENTS WHEN.
I SAY, PROFESSOR, LOOK AT THIS!
SPACE SHIP.. WRECKED IN SOME STRANGE WAY.. AND DRIFTING AIMLESSLY!
GALE MUST HAVE SEEN IT - WE'RE TURNING!

OF COURSE I SAW IT! ONE OF YOU BOYS TAKE OVER HERE WHILE I BOARD THE DERELICT!
IT'S OUR DUTY TO REPORT IT- AND ALSO DESTROY THE WRECK
SOON- DESERTED! WONDER WHAT HAPPENED?
SUDDENLY- HA! SO IT WAS YOU! BUT YOU LEFT ONE OF US ALIVE! HA HA-HA!
EASY NOW, SISTER! YOU'RE A LITTLE MIXED UP!
BUT I'LL KILL YOU! YOU AND YOUR DRAGONS! KILL KILL .KILL! HA HA-HA HA!
GOLLY, YOU'RE IN A BAD WAY! WHAT'S THIS ABOUT DRAGONS?
DRAGONS-YES! YOU SHOULD KNOW! BREATHING FIRE...HUGE CLAWS...HORRIBLE!
THEY CAME RIGHT IN THROUGH THE STEEL WALLS! THEY ATE EVERYBODY- AND THEN CRUNCHED THE SHIP IN THEIR JAWS- OH, I CAN'T STAND IT- CAN'T- CAN'T!

Meanwhile..ON A DIM ASTEROID.
HA! MORE INTRUDERS- I'LL GIVE THEM THE SAME TREATMENT!
BUT, ON GALE'S SHIP-
THERE NOW, MY DEAR- JUST RELAX... NO SUCH THING AS DRAGONS... WHATEVER HAPPENED, YOU'RE-
NO SUCH THING AS DRAGONS? THEN WHAT'S THAT! A-A-A-H! NOT AGAIN!.. NO-NO- NO!
IMPOSSIBLE!
MUST BE A TRICK MECHANISM! A TOUCH OF ANTI-ATOMIC, FULL FORCE WILL SETTLE THAT!
FUNNY.. A TOUCH ISN'T ENOUGH! DOC, TRY THE PORT GUN!
THAT DOESN'T WORK, EITHER! IT'S COMING CLOSER!
And then-
STAND BACK, EVERYBODY! GALE, GET THE ACID GUN!
A-A-A-H! DEATH!
HMM! SOMETHING FUNNY ABOUT THIS! I KNOW DRAGONS DON'T EXIST... AND IF THEY DID THEY COULDN'T GO THROUGH STEELINUM LIKE THAT! HMM... I WONDER-
B-BUT -HOW?
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THE LONE SURVIVOR FLEES SCREAMING...THE TERRIBLE THING SEES GALE AND SWINGS TOWARD HER!
EVEN THE HYPO-ACID WON'T WORK!
THEN- WHAT CAN WE DO?
I THINK I HAVE THE ANSWER!
-THIS! SEE, IT RECOILS- FROM MY NEW RAY!
OBSERVE HOW IT DISINTEG-RATES!
Y- YES- B- BUT MORE ARE COMING IN!
NO MATTER! MY NEW RAY IS EQUAL TO THEM ALL!
LL THE REPULSIVE MONSTERS LITERALLY VANISH!
SO- I WAS RIGHT!
BUCK UP CHILD- THE DANGER IS OVER!
NOW- TELL ME WHERE THESE THINGS FIRST AT-TACKED YOUR SHIP...WE MUST GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS!
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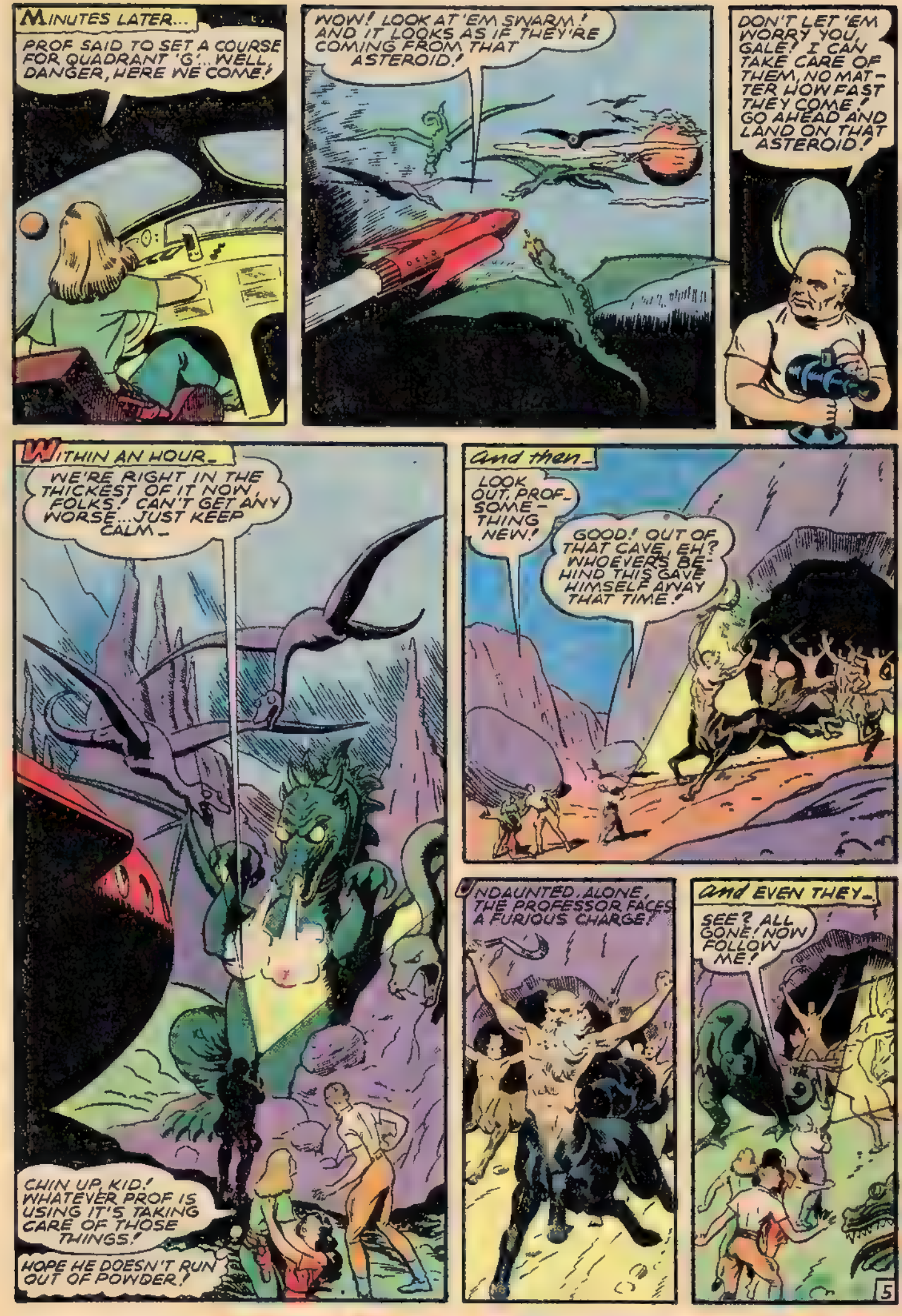
MINUTES LATER...
PROF SAID TO SET A COURSE FOR QUADRANT 'G'... WELL, DANGER, HERE WE COME!
WOW! LOOK AT 'EM SWARM! AND IT LOOKS AS IF THEY'RE COMING FROM THAT ASTEROID!
DON'T LET 'EM WORRY YOU, GALE! I CAN TAKE CARE OF THEM, NO MATTER HOW FAST THEY COME! GO AHEAD AND LAND ON THAT ASTEROID!
WITHIN AN HOUR...
WE'RE RIGHT IN THE THICKEST OF IT NOW, FOLKS! CAN'T GET ANY WORSE... JUST KEEP CALM...
CHIN UP, KID! WHATEVER PROF IS USING IT'S TAKING CARE OF THOSE THINGS!
HOPE HE DOESN'T RUN OUT OF POWDER!
And then...
LOOK OUT, PROF... SOMETHING NEW!
GOOD! OUT OF THAT CAVE, EH? WHOEVER'S BEHIND THIS GAVE HIMSELF AWAY THAT TIME!
UNDAUNTED, ALONE, THE PROFESSOR FACES A FURIOUS CHARGE!
And EVEN THEY...
SEE? ALL GONE! NOW FOLLOW ME!
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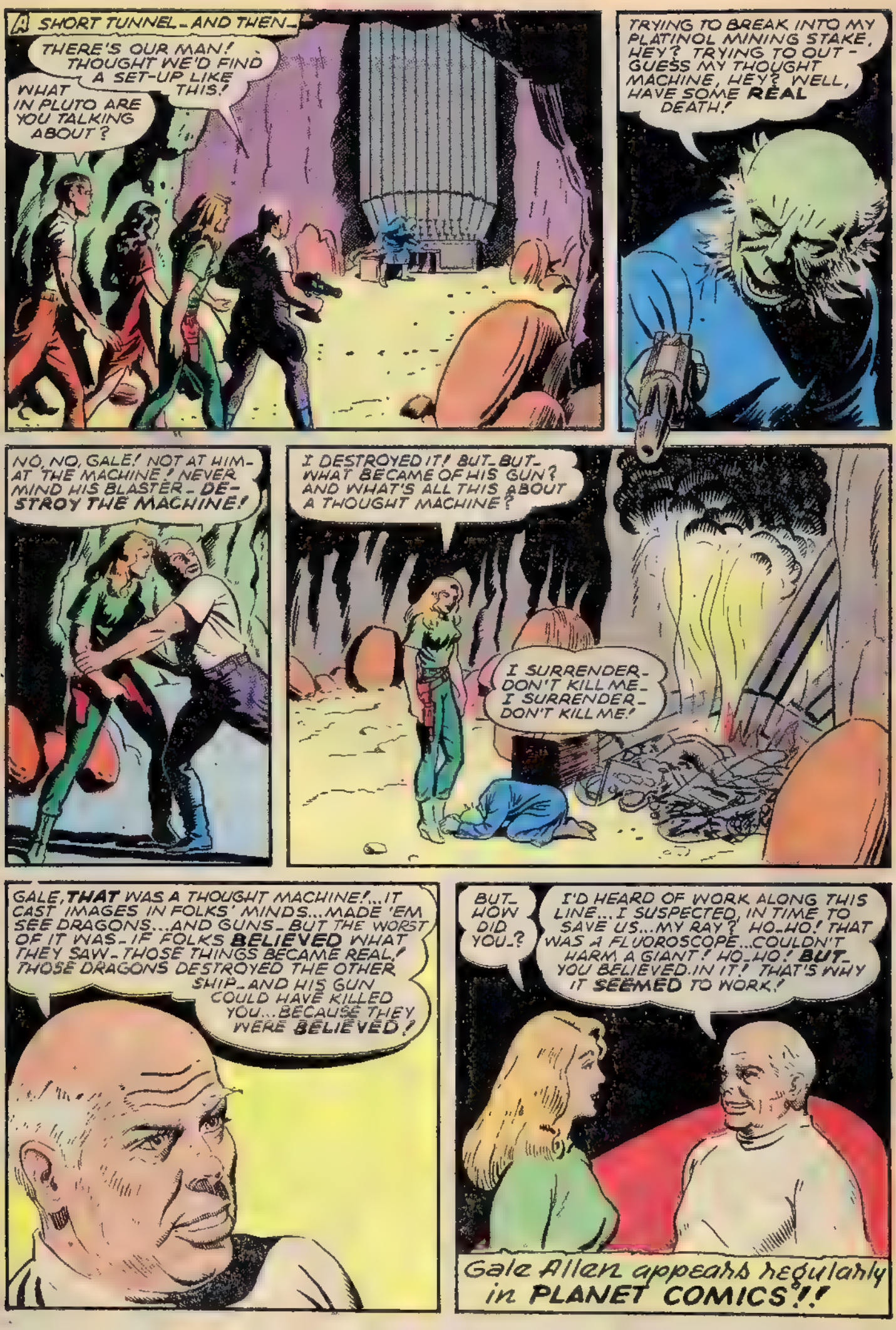
A SHORT TUNNEL - AND THEN -
THERE'S OUR MAN! THOUGHT WE'D FIND A SET-UP LIKE THIS!
WHAT IN PLUTO ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
TRYING TO BREAK INTO MY PLATINOL MINING STAKE, HEY? TRYING TO OUT - GUESS MY THOUGHT MACHINE, HEY? WELL, HAVE SOME REAL DEATH!
NO, NO, GALE! NOT AT HIM - AT THE MACHINE! NEVER MIND HIS BLASTER - DE-STROY THE MACHINE!
I DESTROYED IT! BUT - BUT - WHAT BECAME OF HIS GUN? AND WHAT'S ALL THIS ABOUT A THOUGHT MACHINE?
I SURRENDER - DON'T KILL ME - I SURRENDER - DON'T KILL ME!
GALE, THAT WAS A THOUGHT MACHINE!... IT CAST IMAGES IN FOLKS' MINDS... MADE 'EM SEE DRAGONS... AND GUNS - BUT THE WORST OF IT WAS - IF FOLKS BELIEVED WHAT THEY SAW - THOSE THINGS BECAME REAL! THOSE DRAGONS DESTROYED THE OTHER SHIP - AND HIS GUN COULD HAVE KILLED YOU... BECAUSE THEY WERE BELIEVED!
BUT - HOW DID YOU -?
I'D HEARD OF WORK ALONG THIS LINE... I SUSPECTED, IN TIME TO SAVE US... MY RAY? HO-HO! THAT WAS A FLUOROSCOPE... COULDN'T HARM A GIANT! HO-HO! BUT - YOU BELIEVED IN IT! THAT'S WHY IT SEEMED TO WORK!
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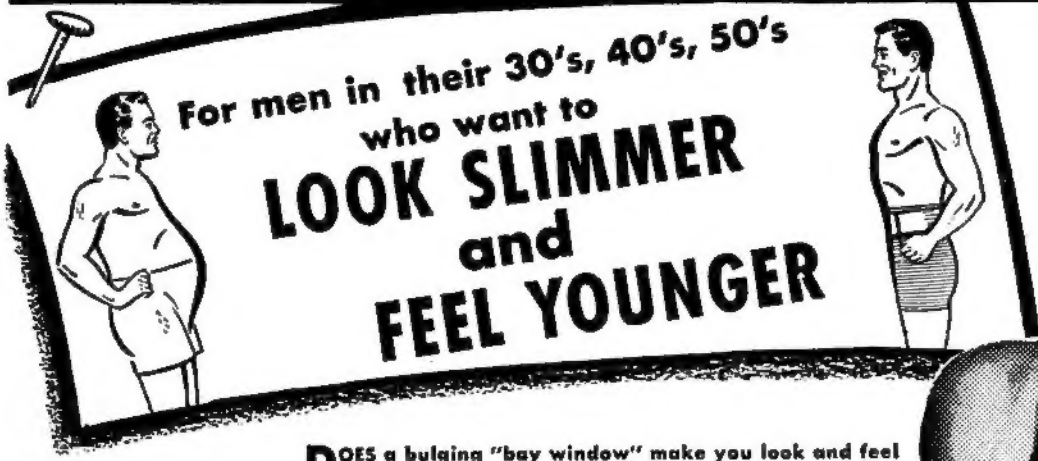

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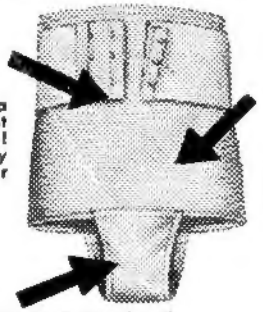

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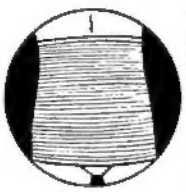

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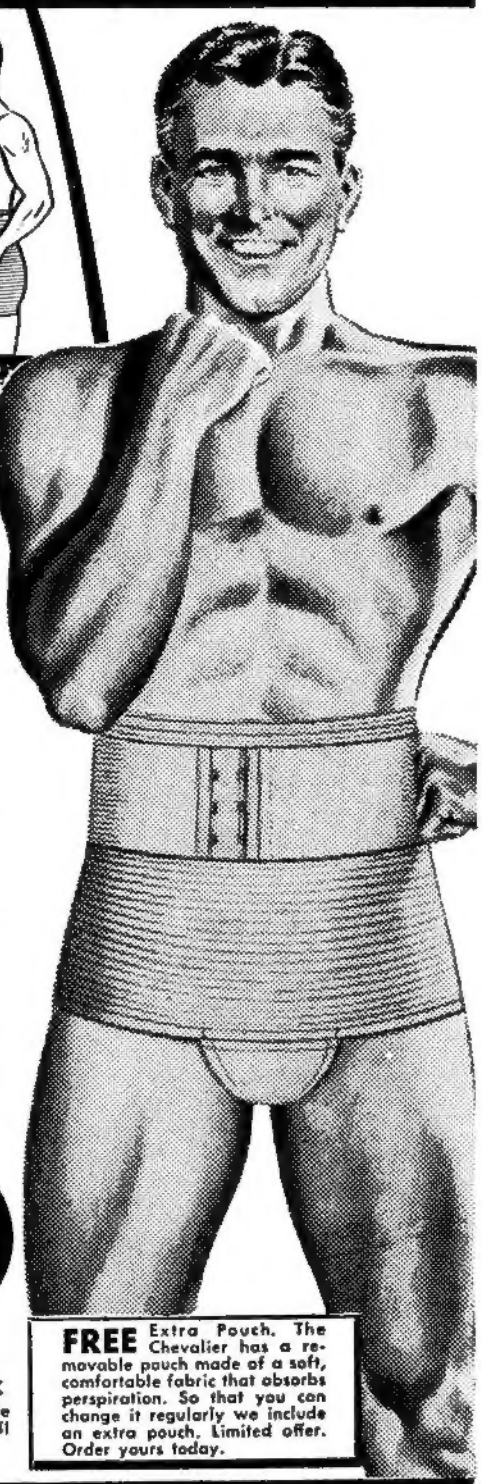

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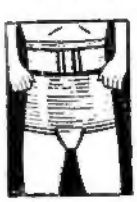

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